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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7188**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1221

**NOTE PREPARED:** Apr 8, 2003

**BILL AMENDED:** Mar 31, 2003

**SUBJECT:** NPDES variances.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Bottorff

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Gard

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed - Senate

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill establishes criteria for variances from water quality standards that are at least in part the basis of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

**Effective Date:** (Amended) July 1, 2003.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) There will be no fiscal impact to the Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) associated with the revisions to the statutory requirements for a variance from an NPDES permit condition. The costs for processing an NPDES permit variance request will not differ significantly as a result of the proposal. Costs associated with amending the rules would be absorbed with existing resources.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Environmental Management

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Department of Environmental Management

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